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From: Melgin, Wendy
Sent: Wed 1/31/2018 7:10:49 PM
Subject: FW: Aquila Wetlands permit application for Back40 mine

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From: Michele Bourdieu [mailto:michelebourdieu@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 1:04 PM
To: Melgin, Wendy <melgin.wendy@epa.gov>
Subject: Aquila Wetlands permit application for Back40 mine

Dear Ms. Melgin,

Are you or is someone in your office in charge of reviewing the Aquila application for a Michigan Wetlands, Inland Lakes and Streams permit under the Clean Water Act 404? I understand the EPA has oversight in this case because of the size of this project for an open-pit sulfide mine near the Menominee River on the border of Michigan and Wisconsin. I am trying to write an article clarifying the EPA role in the permit review for my news Web site, [Keweenaw Now](#). I've been covering this issue and need to remind the public of the Feb. 2, 2018, comment deadline. Could you please call me today at 906-281-7116. I left you a phone message earlier today. Thanks for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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